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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6957

BILL NUMBER: SB 290

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 28, 2006

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: National Guard Tuition Supplement Program.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Young R

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill allows a person who applies and is eligible for a scholarship from the National Guard Tuition Supplement Program to receive or renew the scholarship without complying with any eligibility period established by the State Student Assistance Commission (SSACI).

Effective Date: July 1, 2007.

Explanation of State Expenditures: It is unknown the additional number of students that might be eligible for the National Guard Tuition Supplement program. The number is probably small.

Background: To receive a National Guard Tuition Supplement Grant, the person must be certified by SSACI and the Indiana National Guard and attend a state-funded college or university. The SSACI eligibility requirements include the annual filing of a Free Application for Federal Student Aid. The application must be received by March 10th of each year. If the student is determined to be dependent on their parents for financial support, the parents must be residents of Indiana since at least December 31st of the previous year.

The student must be a high school graduate or have a GED. The student must be seeking their first associate or bachelor degree and must use the state grants within 10 years from when the grant is first used. The student can receive a total of eight semesters of state aid.

The following table shows the number students that received the National Guard Tuition Supplement Grant and the dollar amount of those grants for FY 2001 to FY 2006.

Awards Used by National Guard Students		
Academic Years 2000-2001 to 2005-2006		
Year	Students	Amount
2000-01	503	\$1,026,094
2001-02	861	\$1,842,824
2002-03	923	\$2,214,787
2003-04	841	\$2,215,806
2004-05	780	\$2,120,394
2005-06	903	\$2,740,499

The FY 2007 appropriation was \$3,299,821, and SSACI requested the same amount for FY 2008 and FY 2009 for this program. P.L. 246-2005 (the Budget Bill) states that for FY 2007 if the dollar amounts of eligible awards for the National Guard Supplemental program exceed the appropriations and program reserves, the State Student Assistance Commission shall develop a plan to ensure that the total dollar amount does not exceed the above appropriations and any program reserves.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: State Student Assistance Commission; State universities.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: State Student Assistance Commission.

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